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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A)
COATING LAYER MADE OF)
EXPANDABLE AND CROSS-
LINKABLE MATERIAL IN A
CABLE

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